



Our Docket No.: 42P17205

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Henderson et al.) Examiner: Qureshi, Afsar M.
Application No.: 10/005,596) Art Group: 2667
Filed: November 7, 2001)
For: Switch-Based Network Processor)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop: RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 10, 2006, which was made final, applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment and Response for consideration.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that I am causing the above-referenced correspondence to be facsimile transmitted and to be deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 7, 2006

Date of Deposit

Leah Schwenke

Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Leah Schwenke

Signature

4/7/06

Date